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MONTEREY NEWS

OCTOBER, 1971

PROPOSED TOWN SEAL

OUR TOWN

Special Town Meeting

The special Town Meeting, originally scheduled for September 22 is to take place on Friday, October 29, at 8 p.m. in the church social room.

The various warrants include:

1) Decisions regarding the new Lake Garfield Dam.

2) Action to accept the new police cruiser and disposition of the old one.

3) Proposal to buy a new sander.

4) Action on urpaid bills for updating the assessors' maps.

Property Appraisal

The new appraised value of property owned in Monterey has been settled and residents have been informed by the Assessors. This work was done by the firm of Whipple--Magane--Darcy, Inc. The estimate represents only the appraised value of property and not the tax bill itself. The tax rate has not yet been made public. It is hoped that residents will not try to estimate their bill according to the former tax rate. There was some confusion on this point at the meeting of the Board of Selectmen, and questions were referred to the two-day hearing on October 1 and 2 in the church social room. Members of the Board of Assessors and a representative of the firm of Whipple--Magane--Darcy, Inc., were present at this hearing and many problems in this area were cleared up.

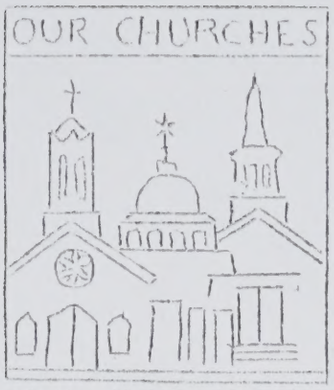
Conservation Commission

The Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources has accepted the "Open Space Plan" presented to them for approval by the Monterey Conservation Commission in connection with the new Lake Garfield Dam and the surrounding area. A summary of this plan will be included in the Annual Report of the Town of Monterey. A proposal has been made to the Conservation Commission that a fire hydrant be installed at the base of the dam for the purpose of filling the Fire Department tanker.

Robert Gauthier commended the five-man Commission for their outstanding work. Weekly meetings have been held for the past six months. Monterey is one of the very few smaller communities accepted for the "Self-Help Plan". Mr. Gauthier said we have just begun to get a balance of use of our resources. Mr. Phoenix gave credit to George Wislocki for the assistance he has contributed. The Conservation Commission's report to the Board of Selectmen included many suggested improvements for the Town, the most important of which is the Garfield Dam. Mr. Phoenix appeared on the Opinion Show on WSBS on September 21.

New Bridge at Town Center

The old bridge having broken down, the Board of Selectmen made arrangements to put in a new bridge. Construction is in process at the present time. It is hoped that the bridge will be completed within the next two weeks, so that it can be black-topped before the snow flies.



CATHOLIC CHURCHES

We wish to thank everyone who helped to make the Woman's Guild Sale a success. The Basket of Cheer was won by Frances Phoenix, and a bottle of wine by John Pizzichemi.

Catechism is now held on Mondays after school. The bus arrives in town at approximately 4:25. Grades 2-8 attend these classes. High School students have begun their classes in Sheffield every other Sunday after 9 o'clock Mass.

On September 30 at 7:30 p.m. Confirmation was held in Our Lady of the Valley Church in Sheffield with the Most Reverend Thomas P. Manning, O.F.M., of Bolivia, officiating. There were 32 priests in attendance, and 69 children received the Sacrament. Those from our parish were: Susan and Thomas Andrus, Charles and Paula Mielke, Mary Ann and Gwendolyn O'Connell, Andreana Pizzichemi and William Stevens.

-- Pat Andrus

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Notes

Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m every Sunday. . . In Memoriam: Alexander Guden and Eugene Champigny. . . Wedding bells for Susan Varney and Wayne Finkle on August 28 . . Laity Sunday will be on October 24.

Sermons on Ephesians

On September 12 Dr. Brallier began a series of sermons based on the Book of Ephesians. On October 17 th sermon will be "Christ's Workmanship;" October 24, Laity Sunday, will break the series; then on October 31, "When Good Comes from Evil", and on November 7, "Diversity and Unity". Holy Communion will also be celebrated on this date. The sermons on Ephesians will continue into the winter season, and subsequent titles will be announced in the next issue of THE MONTEREY NEWS.

Educational Program

A Christian education program with a strikingly different format is to make its appearance this year. The approach is going to be centered around periodic late Sunday afternoon and evening programs, involving a several-hour block of time, being much more action-oriented and attempting to incorporate more of a family-centered approach to the educational process. The theme will be "A Call to Rejoice in the Earth."

Financial Canvass

The financial canvass this year is nearing completion, and we are pleased to report a substantial increase in giving and pledges over last year. At this time last year the gifts and pledges totalled $10,908. This year, so far, the total is $12,058, with $835 of this being designated for the organ fund

PHILERGIANS

Our first meeting was on September 30 at the home of Marie Brallier. We enjoyed a short period of fun and the sharing of summer experiences and common concerns and frustrations.

During our business meeting we voted to retain our monies in a savings account until such time as we can determine the best way to help redecorate our church basement. We also voted to buy a de-humidifier for the basement.

It was voted to continue the scholarship to Nancy Pasche for the 1972-73 school year, as well as to give a new $100 scholarship to a senior living in Monterey.

The following officers were elected for 1971-72: Margery Janes, Chairman; Mary Thorn and Marie Brallier, Vice-Chairmen; Gertrude Gould, Treasurer; and Ann Van Horn, Secretary.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Lucy Smith on October 28. Olive Davis will present a review of "Jesus Christ Superstar".

-- Marie Brallier

LADIES AID

The first meeting will be held on November 4 at 2 p.m. with Mrs. Miner. This is the annual meeting with election of officers, etc.

-- Stella Howes

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MONTEREY NEWS:

As your Police Chief I should like to make a major plea to the mothers and fathers of our young adults: that plea is to ask you to help me to help them. You are all experts in the field of parenthood, but my everyday experience with the problems that exist among our young emphasizes to me the fact that they are lonely, bored, frustrated -- and in desperate need of a place to gather socially: a place where they can talk, meet, dance, exchange ideas and be together. I have thought long and hard on this. Soon another bleak winter will be upon us, and the loneliness, boredom and frustration will become more pronounced -- and the need for recreation and companionship will increase.

These young people face problems more numerous and more complex than those of past generations. I sympathize with their plight. If we can work together toward providing a "canteen" for them (or call it by some other name if you wish) think what a wonderful opportunity this would be to boost their confidence in us. They gain much pleasure by just being together, by discussing "their" music, "their" views, and sharing "their" problems and anxieties. It is imperative that we in Monterey provide them with some kind of recreational facility The method of accomplishing this is something to which each individual in Monterey should contribute -- not just in funds, but in interest and genuine concern. I would like you to look on this enterprise with an objective eye, weigh its merits, and then, with me, attempt to determine what can be done -- and where. Once this has been determined, the time for action will surely follow

Let us take a hard, realistic look at the problem that faces us: no movie theater, no bowling alley, no social hall, no recreational facility of any kind in Monterey. Nowhere to go -- and nothing to do!

So I appeal to you to consider providing a recreational facility for the young people of Monterey If we can offer them some type of social and productive activity it should generate enough enthusiasm and interest to encourage them to handle the project for themselves The responsibility would be good for them. I am certain they would derive great satisfaction from being instrumental in the working operation of such a "canteen." Let them carry out their own policies for maintaining it. Let them develop a good "working climate" among themselves. It would create a spirit of excitement, commitment and pride of accomplishment One of the major frustrations of our youth is that they feel depersonalized and that their individual efforts do not count

There are a lot of well-intentioned citizens in Monterey who are trying to keep the lines of communication open between the generations. There are a number of others who, I am sure, are just as well-intentioned, but are too complacent or are simply not personally involved with these problems. It is time that all of us were involved. Won't you help me to help them? I would welcome your comments, ideas and recommendations concerning this matter.

Thaddeus Falcon

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MONTEREY NEWS:

Having read Ted's letter to the editor prior to its publication in THE MONTEREY NEWS, I felt moved to respond to his appeal for a recreational facility in Monterey. I believe that he makes a moving and justifiable plea for our urgent attention to the needs of the young people in our community.

There can be no question that the young must look outside the community for the fulfillment of their social interests. The regional school takes them elsewhere for an education They must go to Great Barrington to dance, to see a movie, to bowl, or even to have some ice cream. It concerns me that Monterey, which has so much to offer in terms of the variety and interests of the people who live here, should be in a position of requiring its residents to leave the community to find social and intellectual stimulation. It is not just a problem that concerns the young, but one that affects us all.

I would expect that, in a world where the sense of community is at a premium, we would place a greater value on the intimacy and neighborliness that our town can provide. Perhaps we have become too busy with worldly matters and our busyness has gotten in the way of our living together I believe that the people of Monterey have much to give to each other However, we become discouraged because we have no focal point, no gathering place in which to enjoy the activities which we must at present seek elsewhere. I would favor, not just a youth center, but a center where everyone, young and old, can gather to renew our sense of community and fellowship.

Cris Criswell
Gould Farm

S H A L O M

The great cry of the world is for shalom! It is our urgent need. Without shalom we are becoming a people of despair.

Now what is shalom? It is most obviously a Jewish greeting that is broadly interpreted as "peace". But it is a much richer word than the English "peace". It carries with it the concept that peace comes as the result of uniting, of the drawing together of all things that belongtogether. It is a peace that comes when the tension and separateness and alienation have been resolved.

Too often, the peace we settle for is the kind that covers over hurts and alienations and tries to act as if there is peace simply because open conflict has been avoided.

Compared to a year ago, there is a relative degree of peace in our American society. The conflicts are not so open and abrasive. The voices are not so shrill. So we may describe this as being a more peaceful time. By no stretch of the imagination can we describe it as shalom. Many of the hurts, the dislocations and alienations are still there. They are less audible and less visible. But it is not shalom.

The longer I live and the more I find myself caught in experiences that have conflict and alienation in them, the more I find myself believing in shalom. The desire for peace is very real in men. Indeed, we desire it so much that we short-change ourselves by covering over our conflicts, rather than resolving them.

Shalom calls for getting to the root of the things that trouble us. Consider the rash of liberation movements in our time. What is all the sound and fury about? Women's lib complains about the unequal status of the sexes. Civil rights demonstrations protest the injustices minorities suffer. Student demonstrations cry out against unfeeling educational processes. The men, the majority groups, and the professors are perplexed. They just can't understand what all the hurting is about. Why? Because they are not inside the shoes and the skin of the other. Efforts are made to appease, a few concessions are given in the hope that peace will return. And it may, of a kind and for a time, but if the solution does not go deep enough, the peace soon evaporates.

It is instructive to note why integration did not solve the "black problem." Integration may be in effect, but the whites still refuse to deal with the blacks as equals. It is now becoming quite evident that the "black problem" remains a problem until black and white deal with each other as equals. The same holds true of all the liberation movements. To settle differences without genuine respect may bring a certain kind of peace - for a time - but it falls short of shalom.

The revolution now occurring in human affairs is a real thrust toward shalom. This revolution is either going to make things a lot better or a lot worse. There is less tendency to stop at half-way measures. Surface solutions are becoming less tolerable. Patched-up relations are not being accepted as readily as they once were. This is driving us to deal more fully with the roots of our problems. We should rejoice in this, for out of the agony of deeper confrontation lies also the possibility of shalom.

To seek shalom calls for a deeper courage and faith than is required for the peace that simply shies away from conflict. This is why shalom is rooted in the conviction that God is working in and through human history. It believes that the force at the center of life is aimed toward unity and cohesion.

In the face of today's events I greet you Shalom!

Virgil V. Brallier, Minister
Monterey United Church of Christ

"He who makes peace in his house, it is as if he made peace in all of Israel. But he who brings jealousy and strife into his house, it is as if he brought them among all Israel."

Simeon ben Gamaliel

These are the days when birds come back,
A very few, a bird or two,
To take a backward look.

These are the days when skies put on
The old, old sophistries of June, --
A blue and gold mistake.

Oh, fraud that cannot cheat the bee,
Almost thy plausibility
Induces my belief.

Till banks of seeds their witness bear
And softly through the altered air
Hurries a timid leaf!

Oh, sacrament of summer days,
Oh, last communion in the haze,
Permit a child to join,

Thy sacred emblems to partake,
Thy consecrated bread to break
Taste thine immortal wine!

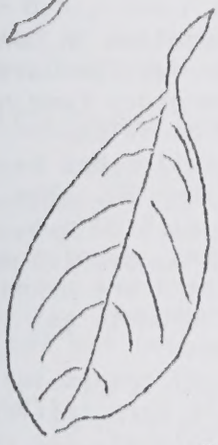
-- Emily Dickinson

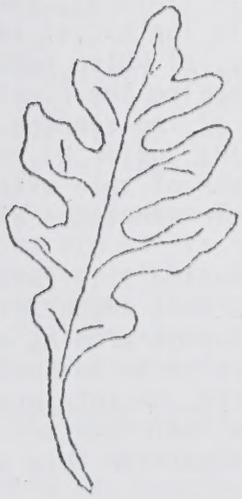
Autumn in New England is a psychedelic sight,
Pause awhile to savor. Dark against the bright.
Bright against the dark,
Yellow against the green,
Green against the red.

Hark!

The colors call
Rising in a cloud the colors whirl and fall,
The colors dance aloud!

--Margery Mansfield





The leaves are falling, falling as from far
As though in Heaven distant gardens faded.
They turn in falling with a denying motion
And heavy earth falls into night's dark ocean
Into the Alone, apart from every star.
We are all falling; see that hand there fall
And look at others too -- all falling, see!
And yet there's One who holds this endless falling
In tender hands throughout eternity.

- Rainer Maria Rilke
(tr by Patricia Howard)

GIRL SCOUTS

Troop 277 has three patrols this year. Elisabeth Pizzichemi is in charge of two and Mary Thorn of one. We meet Wednesdays after school and still have room for anyone wanting to join.

--Mary Thorn

BOY SCOUTS

Several important projects for Troop 39 this fall will involve work on the relocating of the Appalachian Trail. The first is a bridge that the Scouts will install on the Sheffield line near the marker of Shay's Rebellion. Charles Wyman is supplying the lumber for the bridge. The second project involves the construction of a shelter where the trail passes near the Jug End Resort.

--Douglas Lyman

BROWNIES

The Monterey Brownies are just getting started. he first two meetings were held in Southfield, after which it was decided to form a new troop to accommodate girls from New Marlboro.

The Monterey Troop will continue to meet on Fridays in Monterey. We would welcome any new members. Brownies are open to girls in second and third grade.

--Mary Jo Lemmerman

CUB SCOUTS

Webelos started the beginning of October with boys 10-11 years old. They meet after school on Fridays under the leadership of John Pizzichemi.

Cub Scouts for boys 8-10 years old began the second week of October. Our quota of boys is filled. Den mothers are Mrs. Thomas Andrus and Mrs. John Ryder.

--Pat Andrus

4-H

Two of our very active girls, Susan Bynack, and Karen Ryder participated in the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield. Susan took part in the 4-H Horse Show on September 17-19; she received two "very goods" and three "goods". Karen modeled her clothing in the Youtharama Building on the 17th. These girls have worked very hard on their projects and deserve a great deal of credit.

On October 3 The Monterey Roadrunners 4-H Horse Group sponsored a horse show at Gould Farm for residents of Monterey, young and old. There was a refreshment stand which helped earn money to pay for the ribbons. A total of 23 persons entered the show and about 90 persons were present. Senior Grand Champion winner was Susan Bynack, with 84 points, and Senior Reserve Champion winner was Kenneth Heath, Sr., with 82 points. Junior Reserve Champion winner was Kristine Heath with 94 points, and Junior Reserve Champion winner was Susan Heath with 86 points.

--Gail Heath

MONTEREY YOUTH GROUP

The Monterey Youth Group plans to undertake several major projects this year. We will not be meeting weekly but have chosen a task force approach that means we will come together periodically to work on these projects. Because young people are so busy today, we feel this is a more sensible approach.

Plans will include several service projects, fund raising and "fun raising."

--Cris Criswell

JUNIOR HI YOUTH GROUP

The first meeting of the Junior Hi Group was held Sunday, October 11.

Plans were made to attend a Junior High Youth Rally to be held in Richmond on October 18. Everyone will be taking a sandwich lunch, and the Richmond group will be furnishing the beverage.

Our group is also sponsoring the UNICEF "Trick or Treat" drive in Monterey, details of which appear in the following article. Following the parties for the younger children, the Junior Hi Group will have a Hallowe'en dance of its own beginning about 8 p.m. Saturday, October 30.

--Virgil Brallier

HALLOWE'EN AND UNICEF

The Hallowe'en celebration in Monterey and the collection for the United Nations Childrens' Emergency Fund have come to be recognized as twins.

This year the celebration has been set for Saturday, October 30. The festivities are to begin at 5:30 p.m. when all the goblins, witches, gypsies and other assorted characters are asked to come to church social room to get their UNICEF collection boxes.

When the collection of treats for themselves and money to help children around the world is finished, the children will return to the social room for a Hallowe'en party, at which bobbing for apples and breaking the pinata will be the order of the evening. As mentioned above, the Junior Hi Youth Group is the sponsor of this event and will be having their own dance after the party.

UNICEF is celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year. This organization is widely recognized as performing a valuable service for children in need throughout the world. Parents are urged to encourage their own and other children to participate in this annual event.

--Virgil Brallier

MOUNT EVERETT GRADUATES

1971 graduates are at the following jobs or colleges this year:

Shelley L'Hommedieu and Richard Hardisty: Berkshire Community College.

Nancy Pasche: King's College

Paul Thorn: Virginia Polytechnic

Brook Walsh: Maintenance Assistant at Mt. Everett Regional.

GOULD FARM NEWS

Barn Destroyed by Fire

The Farm's main barn was completely destroyed by fire on the evening of September 3. Fortunately, no one was injured, all 24 animals in the barn were saved, and the fire was prevented from spreading to nearby structures. Thanks to the quick action of Don Amstead and Don Amstead, Jr., who discovered the fire, fire companies from the towns of Monterey, Tyringham and New Marlboro were quickly on the scene. But the building could not be saved and much valuable equipment was lost, as well as some 8000 bales of hay--about $4,000 worth--which had just been mowed.

The Farm's friends lost no time in coming to our help. A neighboring farmer, Sheldon Fenn, is generously caring for our eleven milk cows. The day after the fire the teen-age sons of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Weiss, Monterey summer residents, canvassed families living on Lake Garfield and buttonholed most of the residents of Monterey. That evening they proudly brought to the Farm the proceeds of their campaign: $159. A young lady guest at the Farm called her father to tell him of the disaster and he promptly contributed $5,000. A number of other Friends of Gould Farm have sent in special contributions. These generous gifts, plus our insurance coverage, are making it possible to rebuild.

At present various plans are under consideration. The urgent need is for shelter for the Farm's milk cows and cattle for the coming winter. Accordingly, work has already begun on a one-story building to house about seventy head, with pasteurizing, grain and storage rooms, and calf pens attached. The building will be of wood, with a corrugated iron roof. All the work is currently being done by staff and guests of the Farm, with the volunteer help of a Chicago builder, father of a former guest, and of Hadley Simons, of Monterey.

We are grateful to all who have rallied to our assistance in so many different ways and are keenly aware of how this disaster has served to knit the Farm family more closely together than ever before.

New Staff Member

Miss Nancy Bollinger has come to the Farm for a year as a volunteer worker. An R.N., she received her training at the Reading Hospital in Pennsylvania. In addition to assisting Martha Klinger, the Farm's regular nurse, Nancy works in the kitchen and other areas of Main House, and is also concerned with recreational activities.

Fifty-Eighth Anniversary

On October 9 Gould Farm celebrated its fifty-eighth anniversary. The annual meeting of the William J. Gould Associates and of the Board of Directors was held on that date. Memorial services were also held for the two Board Members who died in July, the Reverend Sidney McKee and Dr. Walter Pahnke.

For nearly six decades Gould Farm has held staunchly to a noble purpose, first put into words in its Charter, when the Farm was incorporated in 1929:

> "The purpose...is to develop and perpetuate the work generally known as Gould Farm in accordance with the ideals of its founder--in other words, to develop a community devoted to social service, which community shall be controlled by the principle of disinterested cooperation both among its members and in its practical relation with the world at large, and shall at the same time be as nearly as possible self-supporting...The object of the Associates shall be to secure for the beneficiaries a greater degree of physical, mental and spiritual well-being."

While the Farm has grown and changed in many respects over the years, never has the aim of its founder been lost sight of. "Brother Bill" Gould was a happy man at the time of his death in 1925; he would be an even happier one today if he could know how many thousands of people suffering from emotional or situational problems, from fatigue, from shock or illness of body, mind or spirit, have found at the Farm their way back into life.

Dr. Krumbhaar Leads Wednesday Evening Services

We have been privileged to have with us on Wednesday evenings this month the Reverend Dr. Douglas Krumbhaar M.D. He is rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Stockbridge. Dr. Krumbhaar received his medical degree from Harvard Medical School. His addresses have been based on the general subject of "Christianity and Healing." The first two, on October 6 and 13, were entitled "Faith and Credulity" and "Healing and Curing". Remaining in the series are the following: October 20, "Miracle and Magic"; October 27, "Salvation and Sin" and finally on November 3, "The Church's Ministry of Healing". All in the community are invited to this outstanding group of presentations. They are at 7:30 p.m. in the living room of Main House.

W. H. Mullen

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MONTEREY GRANGE

The Grange met on October 6 with a "Down on the Farm" theme. Many flower and vegetable arrangements by our own members and members from Lee, Stockbridge, Sandisfield and Great Barrington were on display. Judges were Betty Shields of Lee, and Eleanor Wolfer and Louis Centrella of Monterey. There were two short skits by the members.

The next meeting, October 20, will be Visiting Officers' Night. There is to be a prize for the Officer with the most visitors of equal rank.

Eva Jespersen

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